

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT:	Drew Gant	EXAMINER:	Yabut, Diane D.
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**AMENDMENT**

MAILSTOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2006, please amend the claims as follows and consider the accompanying remarks. This Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the amendment format of 37 CFR §1.121 to place the application in condition for allowance.